

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Hazardous waste includes material that should never go into your regular trash. These items, if placed in the landfill, can leak out over time and contaminate the source of our drinking water, the underground aquifer. They also pose a significant threat to our surrounding lake system if dumped into storm drains.

Reminder about the new Fertilizer Ordinance in Orange County. There is <u>no</u> fertilizing of lawns from June 1st to September 30th. Please follow the instructions on the fertilizer product's packaging to protect our environment and lakes.\*

Hazardous material labels usually contain

the words: pesticide, warning, caustic, poison, acid, danger and flammable.

# Household hazardous waste includes items like these:

- Paint and paint thinners
- Batteries (except alkaline/non-rechargeables)
- Used motor oil
- Antifreeze and brake fluid
- Household cleaning fluids
- Pool chemicals
- Pesticides
- Propane tanks

DISPOSING OF THESE MATERIALS IN ANY OTHER WAY (burying in the ground, pouring down the sink, or down the storm drains) CAN POSE A THREAT TO OUR DRINKING WATER.

92% of Florida's drinking water comes from groundwater.

If not properly disposed of, these chemicals can harm humans, animals and the environment!

**Electronic equipment can be recycled.** An item is considered electronic waste if it contains a circuit board. Examples include:

- Computers
- Televisions
- Please note that rear-projection television sets cannot be recycled.
- VCRs
- Fax machines
- CD players
- Stereos

#### **DON'T FLUSH MEDICATIONS**

Here's how to safely dispose of unwanted medications:

- 1. Keep medications in original containers and scratch out the patient's name.
- 2. Discourage consumption by adding water to pills. You can add salt, flour, charcoal, or spices to liquids.
- 3. Tape the lid shut with duct tape. Put the container inside a non-transparent bag so contents aren't visible. Wrap non-transparent tape around blister packages to disguise the contents.
- 4. Put the container in your garbage. To discourage animal scavengers, don't conceal medicine in food waste.





# Orange County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facilities

### **Orange County Landfill**

5901 Young Pine Road Orlando, FL 32829 Open Monday through Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### **McLeod Road Transfer Station**

5000 L.B. McLeod Road Orlando, FL 32811 Open Wednesdays and Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Attendant present at both facilities to help with unloading.

Don't bring gas or other pressurized cylinders (except for propane tanks, see below for details), biologically active materials, radioactive materials, explosives, ammunition, tires, rear-projection televisions, fireworks, emergency flares, or prescription drugs.

Propane tanks up to 20 lbs. are accepted at the McLeod Rd. Transfer Station and at community collection events. Tanks up to 100 lbs. are accepted at the Orange County Landfill.

Before you bring your household hazardous waste to a community collection event or a facility: use up any material that is still usable. Label the material. If you do not know what the material is, label it "unknown." Don't mix different or unknown materials together. Pack leaking containers in a larger container with absorbent material, such as kitty litter, to soak up leaks. Use boxes with dividers for easy packaging and transport.